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Curriculum Vitae

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EMPLOYMENT

- 2019- Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)
2013-2019 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, UAB

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2024- Scientist, School of Medicine, Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research and Education, UAB
2023- Scientist, School of Public Health, Center for Study of Community Health, UAB
2021- Scientist, School of Medicine, Center for Clinical and Translational Science, UAB
2021- Scientist, School of Medicine, Minority Health & Research Center, UAB

EDUCATION

- 2013 Ph.D. in Sociology, Indiana University Bloomington
2013 M.S. in Applied Statistics, Indiana University Bloomington
2006 M.A. in Sociology, Indiana University Bloomington
2004 B.A. in Sociology, *summa cum laude*, Millsaps College

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Medical Sociology
Health Disparities

Social Stratification
The Life Course

Quantitative Methods
Longitudinal Data

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Wolfe, Joseph D., Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Shawn Bauldry. 2024. "Twentieth Century Change in the Educational Costs of Adolescent Childbearing." *American Journal of Sociology* 129(6): 1763-1791.

Wolfe, Joseph D., Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Rin Reczek. 2023. "Age at First Birth and Women's Midlife Health: Cohort and Race Differences across the 20th Century." *Social Science & Medicine* 331:1-9.

- Wolfe, Joseph D. 2022. "The Financial Correlates of Midlife Obesity." *American Journal of Preventative Medicine*. 63(1S1): S18–S27.
- Wolfe, Joseph D., Elizabeth H. Baker, Jalal Uddin, and Stephanie Kirkland. 2022. "Varieties of Financial Stressors and Midlife Health Problems, 1996 to 2016." *The Journals of Gerontology: Series B* 77: 149-159.
- Wolfe, Joseph D. and Mieke Beth Thomeer. 2021. "Divorce, Economic Resources, and Survival Among Older Black and White Women." *Journal of Marriage and Family* 83: 173-190.
- Magdalena Szaflarski, Joseph D. Wolfe, Joshua Tobias, Ismail Mohamed, and Jerzy P. Szaflarski. 2020. "Poverty, Insurance, and Region as Predictors of Epilepsy Treatment among US Adults." *Epilepsy & Behavior* 107: 1-7.
- Cockerham, William C., Joseph D. Wolfe, and Shawn Bauldry. 2020. "Health Lifestyles in Late Middle Age." *Research on Aging* 42: 34-46.
- Wolfe, Joseph D., Elizabeth H. Baker., and Isabel C. Scarinci. 2019. "Wealth and Obesity Among U.S. Adults Entering Midlife." *Obesity* 27: 2067-2075.
- Wolfe, Joseph D. 2019. "Age, Cohort, and Social Change: Parental and Spousal Education and White Women's Health Limitations from 1967 to 2012." *Research on Aging* 41: 186-210.
- Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Melissa A. Hardy, and Eliza K. Pavalko. 2018. "Multigenerational Socioeconomic Attainments and Mortality Among Older Men: An Adjacent Generations Approach." *Demographic Research* 39: 719-752.
- Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Melissa A. Hardy, and Eliza K. Pavalko. 2018. "Multigenerational Attainments, Racial Inequalities, and the Mortality of Silent Generation Women." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 59: 335-351.
* Editor's choice for the Sage Sociology podcast: radiopublic.com/sage-sociology-GA5Ljp/ep/s1160342
- Wolfe, Joseph D. 2017. "Maternal Alcohol Use Disorders and Depression in Emerging Adulthood: Examining the Relevance of Social Ties, Childhood Adversity, and Socioeconomic Status." *Psychiatry Research* 257: 441-445.
- Wolfe, Joseph D. 2016. "The Effects of Maternal Alcohol Use Disorders on Childhood Relationships and Mental Health." *Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology* 51: 1439-1448.
- Pavalko, Eliza K., and Joseph D. Wolfe. 2016. "Do Women Still Care? Cohort Changes in U.S. Women's Care for the Ill or Disabled." *Social Forces* 94: 1359-1384.

Wolfe, Joseph D. 2015. "The Effects of Socioeconomic Status on Child and Adolescent Physical Health: An Organization and Systematic Comparison of Measures." *Social Indicators Research* 123: 39-58.

Wolfe, Joseph D., and Shawn Bauldry. 2014. "Collecting and Organizing Stata Graphs." *The Stata Journal* 14: 965-974.

Wolfe, Joseph D. 2009. "Age at First Birth and Alcohol Use." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 50: 395-409.

Meanwell, Emily, Joseph D. Wolfe, and Tim Hallett. 2008. "Old Paths and New Directions: Studying Emotions in the Workplace." *Sociology Compass* 2: 537-559.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, and Cindy L. Cain. 2021. "Research Methods in Medical Sociology." Pgs. 45-61. In William C. Cockerham (ed.), *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Medical Sociology*. John Wiley & Sons Ltd.

Wolfe, Joseph D., and Stephanie Kirkland. 2019. "Dyads/Triad Studies." In Danan Gu and Mathew E. Dupre (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Aging*. Springer.

Pavalko, Eliza K., and Joseph D. Wolfe. 2016. "Unpaid Care Work." In Madonna Harrington Meyer and Elizabeth Daniele (eds.), *Gerontology: Changes, Challenges, and Solutions*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger. 181-203.

Clair, Jeffrey M., Adam Wasserman, and Joseph D. Wolfe. 2016. "Health and Medicine." *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*. 1–6.

Wolfe, Joseph D. 2014. "Health Disparities." In William C. Cockerham, Robert Dingwall, and Stella Quah (eds.), *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior, and Society*. Oxford, UK: Wiley-Blackwell. 939-943.

Pavalko, Eliza K., and Joseph D. Wolfe. 2009. "Workplace Policies, Caregiving, and Women's Long-term Income Security." *Public Policy and Aging Report* 19: 27-31.

GRANTS

2021 PI: Wolfe, Joseph D. "The Impact of U.S. State Policies on Debt-based Health Disparities in Late Midlife." \$15,000. UAB Integrative Center for Aging Research (ICAR).

2021 PIs: Thomeer, Mieke, and Rin Reczek. Co-I: Joseph D. Wolfe. "Motherhood Biographies and Midlife Women's Health." \$1,295,411. NIH R01AG069251.

- 2020 PI: Wolfe, Joseph D. "Who's Hurt Most by Economic Shocks? Obesity and Health After Major Financial Loss." \$50,000. UAB Obesity Health Disparities Research Center (OHDRC).
- 2019 PI: Szaflarski, Magda. Co-Is Jerzy P. Szaflarski, Ismail S. Mohamed, and Joseph D. Wolfe. "Multilevel Determinants of Referrals to Epilepsy Specialty Care." \$30,000. UAB CAS Interdisciplinary Team Projects.
- 2018 Co-PIs: Wolfe, Joseph D. and Elizabeth H. Baker. "Wealth and Obesity from Early to Late Midlife." \$10,000. UAB Obesity Health Disparities Research Center (OHDRC).

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2018 Emerging Scholar Award from the International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Aging
- 2009 Karl F. Schuessler Award for Graduate Research in Sociology, Indiana University
- 2004 Frances H. Coker Award in Sociology, Millsaps College

INVITED TALKS

- 2020 Wolfe, Joseph D. "Who's Hurt Most by Economic Shocks? Obesity and Health After Major Financial Loss." NIMHD Centers of Excellence Grantees Virtual Meeting, October 27-30.
- 2020 Wolfe, Joseph D. "Who's Hurt Most by Economic Shock? Exploring Heterogeneity in the Health-Related Effects of Wealth Loss, Debt, and Bankruptcy." The Gerontological Society of America. Session title: "Economic and Social Influences on Later-Life Well-Being: New Evidence from the NLSY79. Virtual Conference, November 4-7.
- 2019 Wolfe, Joseph D. "From background to foreground: Mortality risk and the socioeconomic attainments of parents and adult children." Haddin Forum. University of Alabama at Birmingham. Birmingham, AL. October 11.
- 2017 Wolfe, Joseph D. "Age, Cohort, and Changing Opportunity Structures: Educational Attainment and the Health Limitations of White Women from 1967 to 2012." Southern Sociological Society, Mini-Conference on Health Disparities, Greenville, SC, March 29-April 1.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 Wolfe, Joseph D., Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Rin Reczek. "Social Change and the Rising Costs of Young Motherhood for Midlife Health." American Sociological Association session on Health, Risk, and the Lifecourse, Los Angeles, CA, August 5-9.

- 2021 Wolfe, Joseph D., Elizabeth H. Baker, Jalal Uddin, and Stephanie Kirkland. "Varieties of Financial Stressors and Midlife Health Problems." Medical Sociology session at American Sociological Association, Virtual Conference, August 6-10.
- 2021 Wolfe, Joseph D., Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Shawn Bauldry "Heterogeneity in the Educational Costs of Teen Childbearing." Life Course session at American Sociological Association, Virtual Conference, August 6-10.
- 2021 Wolfe, Joseph D., Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Rin Reczek. "Adolescent Childbirth and Women's Health Limitations Across Three U.S. Cohorts." Open refereed roundtables at American Sociological Association, Virtual Conference, August 6-10.
- 2021 Wolfe, Joseph D., Mieke Beth Thomeer, and Shawn Bauldry "Heterogeneity in the Educational Costs of Teen Childbearing." Oral session at Population Association of America, Virtual Conference, May 5-8.
- 2021 Wolfe, Joseph D. "Who's Hurt Most by Financial Problems? Exploring Heterogeneity in the Effects of Financial Stressors on Midlife Mental Health." Southern Sociological Society, Virtual Conference, April 7-10.
- 2019 Wolfe, Joseph D., Elizabeth H. Baker., and Isabel C. Scarinci. "Wealth and Obesity Among Adults Entering Midlife." Poster session at UAB Aging Symposium, Birmingham, AL, October 9-10
- 2019 Wolfe, Joseph D., Elizabeth H. Baker., and Isabel C. Scarinci. "Wealth and Obesity Among Adults Entering Midlife." Roundtables at American Sociological Association, New York, NY, August 10-13.
- 2019 Wolfe, Joseph D., Elizabeth H. Baker., and Isabel C. Scarinci. "Wealth and Obesity Among Adults Entering Midlife." Health Disparities Research Symposium, Birmingham, AL, April 18.
- 2019 Wolfe, Joseph D. and Mieke Beth Thomeer. "Divorce, Economic Resources, and Survival Among Older Black and White Women." Poster session at Population Association of America, Austin, TX, April 10-13.
- 2019 Bauldry, Shawn and Joseph D. Wolfe. "Adult Children's Educational and Parent Mortality: Exploring Mechanisms." Population Association of America, Austin, TX, April 10-13.
- 2019 Bauldry, Shawn and Joseph D. Wolfe. "Adult Children's Educational and Parent Mortality: Exploring Mechanisms." Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, Potsdam, Germany, September 25-27.
- 2018 Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Melissa A. Hardy, and Eliza K. Pavalko. "Multigenerational Attainments, Racial Inequalities, and the Mortality of Silent

- Generation Women.” International Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada, July 15-20.
- 2018 Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Melissa A. Hardy, and Eliza K. Pavalko. “Multigenerational Socioeconomic Attainments and Mortality among Older Men: An Adjacent Generations Approach.” International Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada, July 15-20.
- 2018 Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Melissa A. Hardy, and Eliza K. Pavalko. “Multigenerational Socioeconomic Attainments and Mortality among Older Men: An Adjacent Generations Approach.” Population Association of America, Denver, CO, April 27-29.
- 2017 Cockerham, William C., Joseph D. Wolfe, and Shawn Bauldry. “Health Lifestyles as a Multidimensional Social Phenomenon.” American Sociological Association, Montreal, QC, August 12-15.
- 2017 Joseph D. Wolfe. “Age, Cohort, and Social Change: Parental and Spousal Education and White Women’s Health Limitations from 1967 to 2012.” Population Association of America, Chicago, IL, April 27-29.
- 2017 Cockerham, William C., Joseph D. Wolfe, and Shawn Bauldry. “Health Lifestyles as a Multidimensional Social Phenomenon.” Population Association of America, Chicago, IL, April 27-29.
- 2016 Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Melissa A. Hardy, and Eliza K. Pavalko. “Multigenerational Attainment and the Mortality of Silent Generation Women.” American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA, August 20-23.
- 2016 Wolfe, Joseph D., and Shawn Bauldry. “Children's Educational Attainment and Parent's Mortality: Testing the Direct Care and Health Spillover Hypotheses” Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April 13-17.
- 2015 Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Eliza K. Pavalko, and Melissa A. Hardy. “Multigenerational Effects of Educational Attainment on Mortality.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago, IL, August 21-23.
- 2015 Pavalko, Eliza K. and Joseph D. Wolfe. “Do Women Still Care? Cohort Changes in U.S. Women's Care for the Ill or Disabled.” The International Sociological Association Research Committee on Aging and Family presents “Aging Families/Changing Families: An International Conference,” Syracuse, NY, June 3-6, 2015.
- 2015 Wolfe, Joseph D., Shawn Bauldry, Eliza K. Pavalko, and Melissa A. Hardy. “The Multigenerational Effects of Socioeconomic Status on Mortality.” Population Association of America, San Diego, CA, April 30-May 2.

- 2015 Joseph D. Wolfe. "Parental Alcoholism and Children's Mental Health: Stress Proliferation through Children's Social Ties." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March 25-28.
- 2014 Eliza K. Pavalko, Joseph D. Wolfe, and Melissa A. Hardy. "Socioeconomic Status Across the Life Course and the Mortality of Black and White U.S. Women." Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies Annual Conference, Lausanne Switzerland. October 9-11.
- 2014 Eliza K. Pavalko, Joseph D. Wolfe, and Melissa A. Hardy. "Socioeconomic Status Across the Life Course and Women's Mortality." Invited presentation at 27e Entretiens Jacques-Cartier, Institute of Research in Public Health, University of Montreal. October 2-3.
- 2014 Wolfe, Joseph D. "The Effects of Socioeconomic Status on Early-Life Physical Health: An Organization and Systematic Comparison of Measures." American Sociological Association, San Francisco. CA, August 16-19.
- 2014 Wolfe, Joseph D. "Maternal Alcohol Use Disorder and Early-life Mental Health," Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, August 15-17
- 2012 Pavalko, Eliza K. and Joseph D. Wolfe. "Do We Still Care? Social Change, Caregiving and Employment in an Ideal World" American Sociological Association, Denver, CO, August 17-20.
- 2010 Wolfe, Joseph D., and Eliza K. Pavalko. "The Price for Caring: Income and Caregiving across Women's Cohorts" American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August 14-17.
- 2008 Wolfe, Joseph D. "A Time to Mature? Age at First Birth and Alcohol Use." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Boston, MA, July 31-August 2.
- 2008 Wolfe, Joseph D. "Parenthood and Alcohol Use: Does Timing Matter?" North Central Sociological Association, Cincinnati, OH, March 27-29.
- 2007 Wolfe, Joseph D. "The Timing of Parenthood: Early First Birth and Alcohol Use throughout the Life Course," Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, IL, April 4-7.

TEACHING

Graduate Courses:

- Advanced methods
- Categorical data analysis
- Classical sociological theory
- Deviance
- Social psychology of health disparities
- Statistical programming

Undergraduate Courses:

Development of sociological theory
Drugs and society
Introduction to sociology
Social statistics
Social stratification
Social structure and personality

Online Courses:

Social Stratification (undergraduate)
Social structure and personality (undergraduate)
Sociology of Mental Health (undergraduate)
Categorical data analysis (graduate)
Deviance (graduate)
Statistical programming (graduate)

Dissertation committees:

Lu Tian (ongoing), Clifford Ross (ongoing), Stephanie Kirkland (Chair 2022), Alejandra Colon-Lopez (2022), Zach McCann (2021), Sanjeev Acharya (2020), Najwa Alharbi (Chair 2019), Katie McIntyre (2019), Aowen Zhu (2019), Sarah Rutland (2019), Haley Kendrick (2018), Soumya Niranjana (2018), Barbara Hanson (2017), Zach Simoni (2015), Philip Gibson (2015), Lee Ann Flagg (2015)

M.A. committees:

Lu Tian (Chair 2023), Clifford Ross (2022), Serra Aydogan (2016), Chenoia Bryant (Chair 2015)

Undergraduate Honors Theses:

Hannah Kindervater (2021), Bria Morgan (2015)

Miscellaneous:

2015 - 2021 Drugs and society (3hr summer seminar for UAB “Dentistry and Culture”)
2011 Summer Lab Instructor: ICPSR 1-Week Course in Categorical Data Analysis (with Prof. J. Scott Long), Berkeley, CA.
2011 Spring Instructor: Stata Workshop, Indiana University, Bloomington.
2010 Fall Lab Instructor: S503 Categorical Data Analysis (with Prof. J. Scott Long), Indiana University, Bloomington.
2010 Fall Instructor: Stata Workshop, Indiana University, Bloomington.
2010 Spring Instructor: Stata Workshop, Indiana University, Bloomington.

MISCELLANEOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND SPECIAL TRAINING

2010-2013 Research assistant: “Updating Mortality Estimates for Original Cohorts in National Longitudinal Surveys” (Co-PIs Melissa Hardy and Eliza K. Pavalko)
2011 Research assistant: *Scholarship of Teaching and Learning* (Editors: Bernice Pescosolido, Brian Powell, and Carol Hostetter)

- 2008 Research assistant: “Women’s Health across Cohorts” (PI Eliza K. Pavalko).
 2007-2008 Research assistant: “Evaluation of the Recovery Oriented Assertive Community Treatment Project” (P.I. Bernice Pescosolido)
 2005 General User Workshop on the National Longitudinal Surveys, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH June 27-30
 2004 Interviewer: “Policy Preferences in the United States.” (PI Clem Brooks)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Peer reviewer for:

Ageing & Society, American Journal of Epidemiology, American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Demography, Epilepsy & Behavior, Ethnicity & Health, Journal of Drug Issues, Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences, Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences, Journal of Aging and Health, Journal of Family Studies, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities, The Lancet Healthy Longevity, Longitudinal and Life Course Studies, PLOS One, Population Research and Policy Review, Research on Aging, Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology, Social Science & Medicine, Social Science Research, Society and Mental Health, Sociological Spectrum

Discipline service:

Employment Chair (2023-2025) of the ASA Medical Sociology Section
 Editorial Board Member (2022-2024) for the *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*
 Publications Committee Chair (2021-2023) of the ASA Sociology of Mental Health Section
 Population Association of America Session Organizer (2017)
 Youth, Aging, and Life Course Division Award Committee Member, SSSP, (2017)
 Society for the Study of Social Problems Session Organizer (2016)

University service:

Alternate Senator (2022-ongoing)

Departmental service:

Public relations committee (2018-ongoing)
 Graduate committee (2017-19)
 Comprehensive exam committee (2023-2024, Chair 2020-21, Fall 2017, Chair 2015-16, Spring 2014)
 Faculty search committee (2014, 2017, 2018)

Association Memberships:

American Sociological Association
 Southern Sociological Society
 Population Association of America